

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Title: A DEVICE FOR COLLECTING AND STORING A
BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE

Appl. No.: 10/069,313

Applicant: Armitage *et al.*

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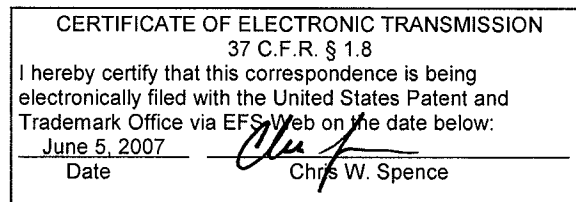
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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**RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 28, 2006
AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2006 ("the Action") for consideration in the above-referenced case. Applicant is concurrently filing a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time (small entity) with this Response where the required fees are being charged to a credit card through EFS-Web. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any underpayment of fees or any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 in connection with the filing of this paper from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/GENS:008US.

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